

## ABSTRACT

A face authentication apparatus is provided to be able to preferentially cause a subject person to look somewhat downward at the time of imaging. An image lens of a camera is made hard to be seen by a subject person and a dummy lens that can be clearly seen by the subject person is arranged below the image lens, to cause the person subject to authentication to think that the dummy lens is an image lens of a camera. Thereby, a line of sight of the subject person can be drawn downward at the time of imaging, so that it is possible to obtain an imaged picture of a somewhat downwardly directed person's face being an object, that is, an imaged picture, on which an influence caused by reflection of a lighting illuminating the subject person is small.